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**REQUEST FOR A CONTINUING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) a

(X) continuation application of:  
( ) divisional application of:

**Pending Prior Application**

Application No. 10/284,867 filed 10/31/2002

Title Slotted Substrates and Methods and Systems for Forming Same

Name of applicant(s) Donaldson et al.

**Copy of Application**

( ) Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the drawings.  
(X) Enclosed is a new specification, including new drawings.

**Oath or Declaration**

(X) Enclosed is a copy of the prior Declaration (37 CFR 1.63(d)).  
( ) Enclosed is a newly executed Declaration (original or copy).

**Foreign Priority - 35 USC 119**

( ) Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 has been claimed in prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) The certified copy has been filed in prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_  
filed \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) A separate paper claiming direct priority to a foreign application is enclosed herewith. A certified copy of the foreign application will be provided in due course.

**Relate Back - 35 USC 120**

(X) Amend the specification after the title by inserting the following heading:

--Cross Reference To Related Application(s)--;

and add the paragraph:

--This is a (X) continuation ( ) divisional

of copending application number 10/284,867 filed on 10/31/2002

which is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

Inventorship Statement

- ( ) Delete the following named individuals as inventors in this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.53(b) as a result of a change in the claimed subject matter:

Appointment of Associate Attorney

- ( ) Recognize as Associate Attorney or Agent \_\_\_\_\_  
Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_  
( ) authorization is hereby granted by signature below of the Attorney or Agent of record  
( ) the Associate Attorney or Agent may not have the authority to appoint other Attorneys or Agents

Communications

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Other Amendments

- ( ) Before calculating the filing fee, amend the prior application as follows:  
( ) Cancel the following claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes).  
( ) Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment.

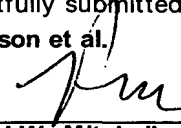
Fee Calculation

- (X) The filing fee is calculated below for (X) Utility ( ) Design

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TOTAL CLAIMS	8 — 20	0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3 — 3	0	X \$84	\$ 0
ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS	0		\$280	\$ 0
BASIC FEE: Design ( \$330.00 ); Utility ( \$750.00 )				\$ 750
TOTAL FILING FEE				\$ 750
TOTAL CHARGES TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT				\$ 750

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Respectfully submitted,  
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